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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): MARUYAMA et al.	Atty. Dkt.: 02-101
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Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22314

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's election of species requirement in the Office Action mailed December 21, 2006, applicant elects Species I (Figure 5) without traverse. Claims 1-6, 8-10, 12-18, 20-22, 24, 25, 27, 28, and 31 are readable on the elected species. Applicants believe Claims 1-6, 8, 12-18, 20, 24, and 27 to be generic.

Examination of the present application in view of the above election is respectfully requested.

Please charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account 50-1147.

Respectfully submitted,

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